How do we revise for Geography?



Three common revision techniques that are **LEAST** effective

- in helping you revise are: Highlighting texts
- Re-reading
- Summarising text



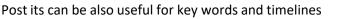




Whilst these methods may feel like you are revising, there are many better methods to help you revise.

Flashcards

Simply create with questions on side and answers on the other side. You can colour code for specific topics and quiz yourself or others.



Flash Cards

Using Flashcards

Using the Leitner Method, using the video below https://youtu.be/C20EvKtdJwQ

You can also create excellent flashcards online or on your phone using Quizlet Quizlet which also had an app.

Other information

There are a variety of ways to use flashcards in revision for the skills you need

Key Terms Create for key words and terms



Causation

Create for the causes of events or progress



Judgments

Create an agree or disagree argument for case studies

Types

Venn Diagram



Create to show a narrative of events in order



Retrieval Practice

Testing what you know is a powerful tool in revision, the effort to remember something really strengthens your memory

Apps such as Memrise and Quizlet allow you to use or create your own quizzes based on topics.

Create them, test yourself or get someone to test you, it's works!

How to use in Geography

Knowledge Organisers Spaced Use to create 'must know' Test on old and new topics mixed up

quizzes for a topic

Causes/Impacts/Responses

To identify 2-3 factors MAX for a cause, impact and response. Include evidence

There are a number of types you can create:

- Multiple Choice Questions
- True or False
- Short Explanation Questions
- Odd One Out
- If this is the answer then what is the question

Sequential Thinking Model

Examples 'Give two examples of.....'

Sequential Thinking Model

Transform It

Graphic organisers are a great way of 'transforming' your notes/information into visual revision topics.

They can be used to create links, show a narrative, identify the causes/consequences and importance of something.

How to use in Geography

- 1. S.E.E. Impacts—Create a Venn diagram to show the social, economic and environmental impacts.
- 2. Concept Mapping— At the end of a week, mind map all you can remember about a topic and link area together. Then add to your mind map using a different colour using notes
- 3. Sequence Create a sequential mind map to show the stages of an event or landform formation.

Sequential Thinking Model Thinking at Right Angles Mind Map

How to:

- 1.Use simple drawings with matching simple descriptions
- 2. The drawing should represent your understanding of the topic
- 3. Try to draw links between images

Dual Coding

Dual coding' is the method of putting your knowledge into visual form alongside words. It increases the chances of you remembering it.





An example activity you can do its creating a comic strip to represent the formation of a depositional landform.

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Deliberate Practice

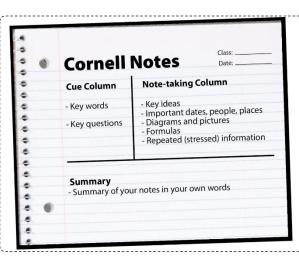
Set aside time to practice improving your knowledge or historical skills. Choose what you need to do, it must be tough enough to challenge you, and practice, practice!

You should focus on something that you are *almost* able to do but not just yet!

How to use in Geography

- 1.Use a model answer from the teacher, pull it apart and identify the key parts. Then answer a similar question and try to replicate exam
- 2. Study material, complete practice questions in timed conditions. Then use your notes to correct / improve your answer.
 - A week later, redo a similar question. Repeat as necessary.





The Cornell Method

This method can be used in your revision books as a great method to get you to 'think' about your revision. Simply split your page into 3 sections as shown on the diagram on the left:

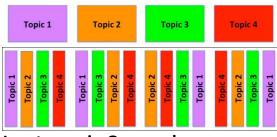


- **Note Taking**
- Summary

How to use in Geography

Use it to summarise a whole topic or theme, for example

- Urbanisation in a developing country
- Sustainable energy management



Interleaving and Spacing

Don't revise your all topics in one go (cramming), you should revise 'chunks' of a topic for small amounts of time (15 minutes) and then move onto another 'chunk' from a different topic.

This will improve your memory!

e.g. 15 minutes on 'strategies to manage the coastline'

How to use in Geography

- 1. Use your topic checklists to create a revision plan to cover topics you need to cover (least confident first!). Spread our your learning in small sections, 5 hours to 5 x 1 hour
- Use your flashcards to self test yourself on old and new topics.



The best way to aid your understanding of Geography is to make sure you are confident with being able to apply case study examples to each topic.



How to use in Geography

- 1. Mapping out what you can remember about a topic before you start, e.g. Urbanisation in a developing country.
- 2. Make sure you revise at least 3 pieces of case study evidence for each topic. Make links to the news too!

The basics

Simply, make sure you eat, sleep and take time out!







The more you put in

the more you get out!

Limit distractions

Find a nice space to revise in

Revise, Repeat. Remember

Create and use a revision planner

Set an alarm and start early!